



Docket No.: 6515P030

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re the Application of:

JOHN JOSEF HENCH, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/710,487

Filed: November 10, 2000

For: **Method and Apparatus for the Prediction and Optimization in Impaired Communication System**

Art Group: 2665

Examiner: Tran, Thien D.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F. R. § 1.136(a), Applicants for the above-identified application respectfully Petition the Commissioner for a one (1) month extension of time, extending the period for response to January 09, 2004, from the Office Action dated September 09, 2003. The petition filing fee of \$110.00 and a Response to Office Action are attached.

If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from being abandoned, please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

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